

the Magistrate as at present. In all houses it was the backyard that was not cared for. It should be laid down as the duty of the Sanitary Inspector to see that the backyard of every dwelling place was kept neat and clean. The maintenance of the Cochar was not being properly attended to. As that was the feeder to the Padma-thirtham tank, every care should be taken to guard it properly and keep it always in a sanitary condition. A staff of 'Boy orderlies' might be usefully employed to give prompt intimation of accidents and other matters of public health to the nearest Sanitary Officer. The pollution of the roads during night should also be prevented by the T. I. C. staff. A Commission should be appointed to make a thorough investigation of the several defects mentioned and action should be taken on its report. In conclusion, the Member suggested the appointment of the Sanitary Commissioner as President of the Committee with an allowance and said that an officer of the status of a Tahsildar was not enough for the Presidentship of the Town.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

VII. EDUCATION.—(continued.)

127. Desirability of opening additional Sanskrit Patasalas in the State wherever needed and of giving increased grants to grant-in-aid Vernacular schools.

Mr. S. Padmanabha Panikkar (Member, Nominated) expressed his gratification at the recent reorganisation of the Sanskrit College and at the award of a grant to the Alwaye Sanskrit school. But those two institutions were utterly inadequate for the study of the Sanskrit language, the development of which was very necessary in the interests of the Malayalam language. The sixth class in the Sanskrit College at Trivandrum having been recognised as the test for the Sastri examination, it should be made possible for Sanskrit schools being started in every taluk with classes up to the fourth. There should be a Sanskrit College in Central Travancore. Grants-in-aid should also be given to private Sanskrit schools, as a good knowledge of Sanskrit was a *sine qua non* to proficiency in Malayalam. The Member then urged the necessity for raising the pay of teachers in aided schools to at least Rs. 10 per mensem. In conclusion, the Member prayed that a grant might be given to the Koippalli Karanma Sanskrit school in Mavelikara, conducted by one Krishna Josier.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

128. Need for additional Sanskrit Patasalas in the State.

Mr. N. Padmanabhan Vaidyan (Member, Nominated) emphasised the need for more Sanskrit Patasalas being opened in the different parts of the State with classes up to the fourth. The necessity for a Sanskrit College in Central Travancore was also great. The opening of 8th, 9th and 10th classes alone in Malayalam schools would not go far towards the attainment of scholarship and culture in the Malayalam language. A good foundation in Sanskrit was an indispensable requisite. Astrology should also be taught in the Sanskrit College. In conclusion, the prayer of the Member was that grants might be given to the Koyipalli Karanma Sanskrit school which had been in existence for the past 28 years and also to the Patasala in Kerala Varma Soudham at Pantalum Vadakekara conducted under the supervision of Mr. Mulur S. Padmanabha Panikkar.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.

129. Need for imparting education to Vilakkithala Nairs to a larger extent than at present.

Mr. K. C. Shadananan Nair (Member, Nominated) conveyed his grateful thanks to Government for nominating him as a Member on behalf of the Vilakkithala Nair community and also for the half-fee concessions granted to the pupils of the community. He requested that the concessions granted to Mahomedan pupils under G. O. No. E. 1989, dated the 21st May 1919, should be extended to pupils of the Vilakkithala Nair community also. The Member prayed that two students of the Preparatory class in the Kottar High School, namely, S. P. Vasudevan Nair and S. C. Nilakantan Nair, should be allowed full remission of fees till they completed their course in the English school.

He also requested that the terms 'Barber' in English and ചാലി in Malayalam appearing in the Gazette and other publications should be discontinued and the expression "Vilakkithala Nair" should be used in referring to his community.

Dewan's reply.—Noted.